

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph on page 13 identified as paragraph [0054] as follows:

[0054] As used herein, the term "C-terminal truncation of SEQ ID NO:2 refers to a polypeptide comprising a portion of SEQ ID NO:2, wherein the portion comprises the N-terminus of SEQ ID NO:2. In preferred embodiments, the N-terminal portion comprises at ~~least~~ least 200 amino acids, preferably at least 400 amino acids, and even more preferably at least 700 amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2. Exemplary C-terminal truncations of SEQ ID NO:2 include, but are not limited to, SEQ ID NOs: 6, 10, 12, 14, 16, and 20, and the term "C-terminal truncation of SEQ ID NO:22 refers to a polypeptide comprising a portion of SEQ ID NO:22, wherein the portion comprises the N-terminus of SEQ ID NO:22. In preferred embodiments, the N-terminal portion comprises at ~~least~~ least 200 amino acids, preferably at least 400 amino acids, and even more preferably at least 700 amino acids of SEQ ID NO:22. Exemplary C-terminal truncations of SEQ ID NO:22 include, but are not limited to, SEQ ID NOs: 24, 26, 28, 30, 34, 36, 38 and 40.